



A Christmas Carol

The CAS Sponsored Child's Advocate Story

The story begins on Christmas Eve. Irwin Elman, a mean unkind Child's Advocate, is working in his office with Charles, his clerk. While they are still in the office the phone rings. Charles answers and a hysterical woman calls and wants to speak to the advocate.

Irwin takes the phone from Charles and says to the woman how can I help you. The woman crying heavily tells Irwin that the Children's Aid Society has just broken down her door and taken her 2 young children from her. The children were crying and screaming for their mother she said as they were dragged off by dispassionate CAS social workers. The mother said she asked for a warrant and the lead social worker stated that a warrant was unnecessary. The woman then asked why they were taking her children and she was told she would find out when she gets to court. The woman then said she wants a lawyer. The same worker answered you have no right to a lawyer when your children are taken by CAS. I don't know where they are the woman lamented they need their mother. How can the CAS do this to me please help me.

After she finished Irwin politely told her there was nothing he could do unless her children phoned him themselves then he could open a file with the advocate's office. The woman stated my children are only 2 and 4 years old they are not old enough to call the Office of the Children and Youth Advocate.

Irwin answered there is nothing I can do have a nice day and hung up. Irwin is angry he got such a call on Christmas Eve of all times he said.

That night Pamela Palmer Irwin's strongest critic posts on Facebook that Irwin Elman needs to mend his ways. She said he has to start at least making strong public recommendations for reform. For example she said the Office of the Coroner issued a Coroner's Panel Report in September 2018 ([link to doc](#)) that showed that children were sexually trafficked while in the custody of the CAS. Pamela deplored Irwin to recommend a criminal investigation of the CAS be undertaken immediately. Pamela said that he would be haunted by the ghosts of Christmas past, present and future if he did not change his ways and he would end up in jail.

That night Irwin was visited by the ghost of Christmas past. They go to his old school and see that Irwin was a lonely and unhappy child. They also see him as a happy young man working for the Children's Aid Society. He is good at his job because he does not care

what happens to the children or their families when they get involved. He just gladly does whatever the agency wants so they will be happy and reward him for doing his work heartlessly. The CAS is so pleased with Irwin that they lobby for him to get the job as the Children and Youth Advocate where he happily helps CAS cover up their atrocities for 8 years.

Now enter Ghost of the present. Irwin is been brought information about deaths in care caused by negligence, child sexual trafficking with direct evidence from the victims etc etc etc. What does Irwin do NOTHING not even recommend police investigations or CAS reforms. Now in September 2018 the Office of Coroner releases a report indicating that CAS is involved in child trafficking. What does Irwin do about this. NOTHING. CAS continues its long reign of terror with no oversight.

Ford and his conservative government make an announcement that the Office of the Child and Youth Advocate is being closed down. Pamela Palmer is happy because she knows that not only was Irwin negligent towards the children and youth he was handing but because of the lucrative contracts to his friends without public tender. Was the work done for these contracts in the interest of child and youth? This is indeterminable because it is not even clear what these people did for all this money spent. Certainly it did not lead to any reforms or even direct assistance to children in crises do to abuse or neglect while in the custody of the CAS.

Now enter the ghost of the future who tells how Irwin ends up. The Ford government once they understand what a scam the CAS is and how Irwin benefitted big time by playing alone decide to investigate. They first start by initiating an investigation into child trafficking of children in custody of CAS. They uncover a big operation with many players who get arrested. Under new federal criminal code laws the minimum sentence for any part in child trafficking is 5 years. Hundreds of unregistered CAS social workers and supervisory and managers were arrested and charged with child trafficking. The police also investigate Irwin and find that he did have significant knowledge of this child trafficking operation within the CAS and he did not report it to police and he benefited by this silence with maintaining this cushy job as the Child and Youth Advocate. As well they looked into these lucrative contracts to his friends and found him criminally responsible for miss expropriating of government funds. Irwin gets 5 years in jail for his part in covering up child trafficking and another 5 years for miss expropriating government funds.

This story does have a happy ending. The Children's Aid Society of Ontario after its reign of terror that has last over 120 years is finally over when the Ford Government shuts it down. Families everywhere can breath easier knowing they will not get that terrifying visit to their home and have their children ripped from them without warrant and without cause. Lucky for Ford he was easily able to put an end to CAS policing power because it is unconstitutional. The Federal Government of Canada under section 91.27 has exclusive responsibility for regulating policing. Now no child will be apprehended in

Canada without criminal charges having been laid. What this means is all legal rights of the parents and child are protected under this Criminal Code of Canada, which is how the Feds regulate and how child protection is meant to be provided under the Constitution of Canada. No more innocent families annulated for CAS profit. After criminal charges are laid towards abusive or negligent parents the provincial government with Ombudsman oversight will place children with other family members or into foster care. If the court determines after conviction that the child will not be returned to the parents arrangements for adoption can be made.